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AMENDMENT

S I R:

In response to the Office Action of April 2, 2002, kindly enter the following amendments and remarks:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend, without prejudice, claims 1, 6 and 9 as follows:

AFB/ 1. (Amended) A brush seal for sealing a rotor with respect to a stator, comprising:
a bristle housing configured to be arranged on a first one of the rotor and the stator, the bristle housing including a cover plate, a supporting plate, a circumferential surface and two side surfaces;
bristles fastened in the bristle housing, the bristles including free ends oriented toward a second one of the rotor and the stator;
a first positioning arrangement provided on at least one of the circumferential surface and at least one side surface; and